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A CAMERA INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS FOR RECORDING IMAGE DATA IN AN OPTICAL DISK WHEREIN MANAGING INFORMATION IS STORED WHEN THE RESIDUAL STORAGE OF A BATTERY

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS) UNDER § 1.97 AND § 1.98

Sir:

1. This IDS should be considered:

- (a) when filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or within three months of the filing date of the National Stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever occurs last;
- (b) when filed before the mailing date of either a Final Rejection under § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311, whichever occurs first and when 1(a) does not apply. For this purpose, there is included herein either a certification in section 4 below (included when indicated by a marked box), or a fee of \$180.00 (a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed, or if not see section 5 below);
- (c) when filed prior to the payment of the Issue Fee, when 1(a)-(b) do not apply, and when a certification is included in section 4 below (included when

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indicated by a marked box); then the Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) and request(s) consideration of this IDS, and provided herewith is a fee of \$180.00 (a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the petition fee, or if not see section 5 below).

- 2. When 1(a)-(c) do not apply, then it is requested that this IDS be placed in the file.
- 3. Listing of the information submitted is on the attached Form PTO-1449, which forms a part of this IDS. A copy of each listed document is enclosed when needed.
 - 4. The undersigned hereby states:
- □区 (a) that each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, as indicated on the copy of the communication submitted herewith, which communication was dated <u>January 22, 2008</u>, not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS; or
- ☐ (b) that no item of information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.
- 5. If a fee or additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or additional fee that may be required and credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.
- 6. In addition to the English Abstracts provided, a concise explanation of relevance of Japanese documents cited without reference to a U.S. counterpart document follows:
 - a. JP 06-311481 discloses that a directory is produced when data is recorded.
 - b. JP 07-262059 discloses that a directory is produced when data is recorded.
 - c. JP 03-125385 discloses that positional information necessary for making a content list information is recorded on an interrupt position of a disk partway on each occasion, and the interim information is read out from the

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disk at a time of restart of writing of program information and the interim information is used for the content list information.

- d. JP 02-078081 discloses that positional information necessary for making a content list information is recorded on an interrupt position of a disk partway on each occasion, and the interim information is read out from the disk at a time of restart of writing of program information and the interim information is used for the content list information.
- e. JP 06-77080 teaches a compact disk player which makes reproduction of a compact disk which stores the content list information in an interim recording area other than the read-in area.
- 7. If the PTO determines that part(s) of the required content is inadvertently omitted, then it is requested that the Applicant(s) be given additional time and specific identification of such omission(s) to enable full compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

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